

**METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON COUNTY  
TRANSPORTATION LICENSING COMMISSION**

**Minutes**

**September 27, 2018**

The Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Transportation Licensing Commission (TLC) met in regular session on this date in the Jury Assembly Room of the Historic Courthouse. Present were Chair Sal Hernandez, Vice Chair Turner (who had to leave at 2:40 p.m.) Commissioners Pat McNally, Freddy Carr and Jessica Powell . (5) Present was Metro Legal Advisers Tara Ladd and Theresa Costonis and TLC staff members Lisa Steelman and Billy Fields.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m. then led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a reading of the Notice of Appeal Statement which outlined the right of appeal of TLC decisions.

Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Powell moved approval of the previous meeting minutes.

ACTION: Approved 4 -0

**Disciplinary Issues**

Morgan Polikoff filed a complaint against taxicab driver Mourad Taki. Dr. Polikoff was present by telephone conference call. The Chair asked both Dr. Polikoff and Mr. Taki to take the witness oath. After a hearing, Commissioner McNally with a second from Vice Chair Turner, moved to find a violation had occurred and place Mr. Taki on probation for a period of 90 days.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

**Slow Moving Vehicle Report**

KCI Technologies' Preston Elliott appeared before the TLC to present "A Slow Moving Traffic Study" which began in late 2017. Initial findings when studying slow moving vehicles regulated through the TLC (horse drawn carriages, pedal vehicles and low speed vehicles) had been previously shared with the TLC and additional information was requested. No action was required for this presentation.

**Taxicab**

TennCab requested permission to add Abdirizak Bahale as an additional executive officer. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve the request.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

John Beasley applied to be a taxicab driver. After some discussion, Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner Powell moved to approve the application and restrict Mr. Beasley driver to Yellow Cab and require random drug and alcohol tests for a period of six months.

ACTION: Motion passed 2-1

The Chair asked Legal Adviser Theresa Costonis if he had the privilege under Robert's Rules of Order to seek more deliberation of the vote after a Second had been lodged. Ms. Costonis advised him that he could cast a vote to break a tie or to cause a tie. She advised him that he would need to ask for reconsideration of the vote if the Chairperson wished to vote.

With no objection, the motion was then reconsidered. Commissioner McNally moved then that Mr. Beasley's application for a taxi permit be reconsidered. Commissioner Powell seconded the Motion.

ACTION: Motion passed 3-0

Commissioner Carr then moved to approve the application and restrict Mr. Beasley to being hired by Yellow Cab and subject to random drug and alcohol tests for a period of six months.

ACTION: Motion received no second. Motion failed.

Commissioner McNally then moved to deny to Mr. Beasley's application for a taxi permit, with a second by Commissioner Powell.

ACTION: Motion passed 2-1

**Wrecker and Towing Services**

Margaret Martin, operator of Martin's, Mike's Custom Towing and Bailey's Wrecker, requested that Micheal Martin and John Martin be added to the emergency wrecker licenses fo the companies as owners. Ms. Martin, however, was ill and could not be present and requested it be deferred. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to defer one month.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

Keith Kinkaid applied to be a wrecker driver. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Powell moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

Randall Mooneyham applied to be a wrecker driver but was not present at the August meeting and requested a deferral and he asked for a deferral until October. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commission Carr moved to defer.

ACTION: Approved for Deferral 3-0

**Other Passenger Vehicles For Hire**

Touch of Class requested a change of address. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

Phillip Cotton applied to be a driver. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Powell moved to deny the applicant.

ACTION: Denied 3-0

Rhonda Grundman applied to be a driver. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

**Other Business**

Michael Winters, operator of Cruzzin' LSVs, requested the TLC to consider changes to the laws which affect insurance coverage when vehicles are not in service. He also asked the TLC to consider allowing Medium Speed Vehil;es (MSVs) to operate. Director Fields explained that both would have to be approved by the Metropolitan Council.

Director Fields asked the TLC to consider the calendar for TLC meetings in 2019.

**TLC 2019 Meetings**

- January 24 Annual Taxicab Hearing  
Deadline for filing applications is Friday, Dec. 7, 2018 at Noon
- February 28
- March 28
- April 25
- May 23
- June 27 Annual Emergency Wrecker Zone Hearing  
Deadline for filing applications is Friday, May 3, 2019 at Noon
- July 25
- August 22 Annual LSV & Pedal Vehicle Hearing  
Deadline for filing applications is Friday, July 5, 2019 at Noon
- September 26
- October 24
- November 21 Annual Horse Drawn-Carriage Hearing  
Deadline for filing applications is Friday, Sept. 27, 2019 at Noon
- December 12

Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Billy Fields  
Director/Executive Secretary

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Sal Hernandez  
Chair

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Date